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## DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA

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### EXPLANATORY NOTES

#### Introduction

The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly series. Where possible, series are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

#### Seasonal adjustment

2. Measures of variability and details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting ABS statistics are given in Appendixes C and B, respectively, of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0). This annual publication also contains historical original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form of a selection of the statistics appearing in the ABS's monthly and quarterly publications.

3. As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

4. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

#### Related publications

5. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$3.50, \$4.20 incl. postage). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

#### Symbol and other usages

- r figure or series revised since previous issue
- p preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
- n.a. not available
- n.y.a. not yet available
- break in continuity of series (where drawn between two consecutive figures in the same column)

7. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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### PRODUCTION

Month	Black coal '000 tonnes	Iron ore (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mill. kWh		Gas (c) mill. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 720W '000	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original
1982-83— June	9,924		41.8	9,773	8,945	42,869	36,144	486	486	421	413	29.4	26.9	175	176
1983-84— July	9,959		42.6	10,358	8,940	45,022	35,730	524	492	410	384	31.7	29.0	200	195
August	1,084	16,203	44.5	9,849	8,859	40,387	34,855	526	492	419	401	34.1	29.2	233	199
September	1,060		37.5	9,083	9,032	38,180	36,376	509	530	450	440	33.0	29.5	249	202
October	9,707		43.3	9,143	9,270	38,508	40,086	525	535	433	417	30.4	28.7	223	188
November	10,315	20,094	40.9	8,801	9,243	35,308	37,543	488	520	446	424	34.5	30.3	246	201
December	7,217		30.2	8,741	9,353	30,234	36,995	513	514	434	438	25.9	29.2	213	208
January	6,606		32.1	8,492	9,263	28,801	35,497	521	503	244	369	12.3	37.7	100	255
February	10,260	20,791	38.1	8,825	9,427	33,034	37,732	474	494	451	454	30.9	30.7	202	200
March	10,489		33.6	9,354	9,556	35,294	37,365	539	520	471	442	37.9	33.6	208	197
April	7,919		24.6	8,796	9,477	33,181	36,521	468	503	408	427	26.7	31.8	152	183
May	11,799	n.y.a.	29.7	10,072	9,625	40,797	36,447	543	517	503	459	39.5	39.5	152	165
June	10,843	n.y.a.	10,174	9,379	42,335	36,043	532	521	462	446	31.3	30.5	160	174	
1984-85— July	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	11,307	9,754	46,060	36,429	565	522	482	453	37.9	33.1	198	194	
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	535	506	498	470	40.6	30.0	224	187	

(a) Gross mine output. Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources, Geology and Geophysics (B.M.R.). (b) Metallic contents of mine products. Source: B.M.R. (c) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

### PRODUCTION—continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) '000 sq m(a)		Woollen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blankets) '000 sq m(a)		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufacturing division(b)	Whole milk intake by factories(c) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		STOCKS(e)	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Total	% of total receipts received by brokers(d) tonnes	Book value at end of quarter \$m	Original
1982-83— June	3,583	3,106	909	944	15,846	13,216	175	177	373.8	274	562	30,584	72.8		
1983-84— July	3,126	2,792	669	696	12,905	11,376	172	175	375.7	346	543	41,698	80.6		
August	3,130	2,864	816	788	13,609	12,289	188	181	378.5	508	495	81,293	81.5		
September	3,794	3,126	856	864	14,529	13,177	187	171	376.7	656	488	101,870	81.7		
October	2,943	2,642	903	826	12,750	11,631	180	170	378.7	769	480	106,978	80.0		
November	2,948	3,010	1,170	861	13,656	12,635	171	165	380.1	723	463	90,438	73.9		
December	2,385	2,735	628	725	9,510	11,331	139	152	381.8	661	475	48,911	78.5		
January	869	2,490	565	929	5,577	13,677	135	155	383.8	551	469	33,962	75.0		
February	2,603	2,596	1,085	820	14,899	13,069	160	159	385.0	440	485	43,552	76.5		
March	3,656	3,077	966	895	14,794	13,293	161	159	386.1	381	499	47,363	73.9		
April	2,565	2,841	746	819	11,628	12,960	144	157	387.9	313	506	32,390	75.9		
May	3,515	3,251	920	904	13,011	11,623	p175	p161	p390.3	293	570	34,959	78.0		
June	3,918	3,279	716	794	15,132	12,862	p174	p190	p392.1	282	575	34,184	77.2		
1984-85— July	3,467	3,412	755	761	14,073	r12,345	p177	p176	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		
August	3,214	2,684	839	820	14,229	12,568	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		

(a) The Commodity composition of this series has changed following the introduction of a revised production commodity classification for textile items. Figures on the new basis are available from July 1979. (b) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (c) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (d) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (e) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.

## OVERSEAS TRANSACTIONS

Month			Values at average 1979-80 prices \$m		Export price index All groups 1974-75 = 100	Import price index All groups 1979-80 = 100.0	Balance on current account \$m	Net apparent capital inflow \$m	Official reserve assets (a) \$m					
	Value of total exports \$m	Value of total imports \$m	Exports f.o.b. Seas. adj.											
			Imports f.o.b. Seas. adj.											
1982-83—					213		-695	503	10,748					
June	1,871	1,858												
1983-84—														
July	2,036	2,013	4,480	4,378	213	115.8	-734	1,095	11,169					
August	1,958	2,014			211		-634	380	10,672					
September	1,864	1,850			209		-569	1,832	11,621					
October	1,988	1,923	4,743	4,471	208	113.9	-401	896	12,009					
November	2,072	1,916			207		-277	1,428	13,350					
December	2,021	1,786			207		-420	257	13,796					
January	2,112	1,956	4,941	4,811	206	p113.0	-605	332	13,243					
February	1,994	2,012			205		-648	314	12,241					
March	2,109	2,131			205		-193	109	12,217					
April	2,008	1,650	5,203	5,081	p206	n.y.a.	-1,053	967	12,297					
May	2,155	2,560			p208		-652	310	12,417					
June	2,485	2,252												
1984-85—														
July	2,475	2,471			n.y.a.		-960	1,028	12,632					
August	n.y.a.	2,624			n.y.a.		-962	1,207	n.y.a.					

(a) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

## INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales(a)										Instalment credit for retail sales, finance companies and other businesses, balances outstanding(d) \$m	
	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. \$m		Food and drink \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture \$m		Other(b) \$m		New motor cars and station wagons registered '000			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1982-83—												
May	3,417	3,401	5,064	5,210	3,380	3,386	1,635	1,752	38.0	36.3	11.9	11.2
June	3,315	3,505							39.3	36.2	11.7	9.9
1983-84—												
July	3,361	3,523							35.1	33.7	10.6	9.9
August	3,455	3,543	5,262	5,354	3,320	3,439	1,712	1,786	42.6	37.2	11.7	10.8
September	3,485	3,573							36.4	37.2	10.3	10.6
October	3,528	3,625							34.2	36.2	10.1	10.4
November	3,779	3,639	5,886	5,494	4,211	3,600	2,227	1,876	38.9	37.7	11.1	11.4
December	5,027	3,652							38.2	38.8	11.3	12.9
January	3,385	3,667							31.6	38.2	10.0	12.5
February	3,374	3,664	5,397	5,459	3,223	3,655	1,770	1,889	37.4	38.2	12.2	12.2
March	3,641	3,675							42.8	41.3	14.4	13.1
April	3,467	3,711							34.7	38.7	11.6	12.4
May	3,814	3,695	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	46.2	41.4	14.8	13.2
June	3,532	3,695							42.9	41.4	14.6	13.1
1984-85—												
July	3,600	3,804							p42.3	p39.5	p15.3	p14.1
												n.y.a.

(a) Series based on 1979-80 Retail Census; excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Other; excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (c) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses. (d) During the period, amounts financed to new agreements made were: April 1984 \$180m; May 1984 \$224m; June 1984 \$206m.

### WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Weekly earnings of employees (\$)				Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities, 1980-81 = 100(c)													
	All males		All females		Award rates of pay indexes(a), adult persons June 1976 = 100		Average weekly overtime hours per employee (%)		All groups		Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education(d)
	All	Males	All	Females	June	1976 = 100	1.19	127.3	124.2	117.8	126.0	127.1	126.4	128.5	161.1	112.0		
1982-83—																		
April	343.30		226.7		184.9													
May					184.9													
June					185.2													
1983-84—																		
July					185.3													
August	349.70		228.30		185.3		1.20	129.4	125.6	117.8	127.4	129.1	130.9	131.2	164.5	113.2		
September					185.3													
October					193.2													
November	362.00		237.20		193.3		1.34	132.5	127.2	120.4	130.5	132.8	134.5	139.5	167.9	113.5		
December					193.3													
January					193.4													
February	(e)370.60		(e)246.50		193.6		(f)1.05	132.0	129.2	120.9	132.6	133.7	135.5	142.0	135.5	115.9		
March					193.6													
April					201.5													
May	383.60		257.10		201.6		(f).11	132.3	128.8	124.4	135.5	134.8	138.1	145.5	118.2	115.4		
June					201.6													

(a) New series. See Award Rates of Pay Indexes, Australia, September 1982 (6312.0). (b) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll tax payers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further details see August issue of *Overtime, Australia* (6330.0). (c) With the introduction of the tenth series of the CPI, the reference base of the CPI series has been changed to 1980-81 = 100.00. The main CPI series published becomes that for the weighted average of the eight capital cities. Monthly index series are no longer compiled for the food group. (d) New groupings introduced from March quarter 1982. Base of index series: March quarter 1982 = 100.00. (e) New series. Result of sample from ABS register. For further details see *Average Weekly Earnings, Australia, March Quarter 1984 (Preliminary)* (6301.0) and *New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime* (6256.0). (f) New series. Result of sample from ABS register. For further details see *Overtime, Australia, February 1984* (6330.0) and *New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime* (6256.0).

### BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month	Building approvals				Building commences, total(a)				Dwellings commenced(a)				Materials used in building other than house building(b)				Price indexes			
	Building approvals \$m		Building approvals dwellings '000 units		Government building approved \$m		Building commences, total(a) \$m		Dwellings commenced(a) '000 units		Materials used in house building(b)		Materials used in building other than house building(c)		New fixed capital expenditure by private enterprises (\$m)(d)					
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1982-83—																				
May	930.4		832.1		11.7	10.5	199.3		2,411.2	2,382.3	29.4	29.1	425.3	424.9	951.1	928.4	3,049.0	2,830.9		
June	677.7		796.9		11.2	10.4	217.7						427.6	424.6						
1983-84—																				
July	830.4		839.4		10.4	11.0	128.0		2,782.2	2,648.0	31.7	30.3	p429.9	p433.8						
August	1,014.5		933.9		12.4	11.6	186.9						p429.9	p433.8	822.6	835.6				
September	979.8		940.5		12.5	12.2	156.4						p433.8	p445.4						
October	975.5		974.2		12.3	12.2	156.6						p437.3	p446.5						
November	992.7		929.2		12.9	12.9	217.0		2,847.4	2,970.5	343.3	338.8	p440.8	p447.5	932.9	832.2	2,697.2	2,519.2		
December	1,093.3		998.9		12.0	12.3	195.2						p443.5	p448.0						
January	759.0		953.7		9.9	12.4	180.3						p446.4	p448.6						
February	957.8		1,036.5		12.9	13.5	147.0	2,665.1	2,721.4	33.1	35.9	p443.5	p448.0	740.9	868.8	2,323.8	2,665.4			
March	1,128.7		1,077.8		14.2	13.2	161.3						p451.0	p453.2						
April	1,007.6		1,105.4		12.1	12.7	237.1						p457.6	p460.4						
May	1,308.9		1,125.8		15.8	15.7	236.1	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p459.4	p451.3						
June	1,181.3		1,069.9		13.2	13.2	212.5						p462.9	p451.9	p948.0	p928.5	p2,952.2	p2,722.6		
July	1,164.2		1,126.6		13.9	13.8	160.4						p466.1	p452.4	n.y.a.	n.y.a.				

(a) The ABS has recently implemented a new system for collecting, compiling and publishing building activity statistics. For further details of the change to 'Building commences' data, see September Quarter 1980 (Advance Release) issue of 8705.0, released on 1 May 1981. For further details of the change to 'Dwellings commenced' data, see statement issued under Catalogue No. 8703.0 entitled Changes to Published Building Activity Statistics, which was released on December 1980. (b) Weighted average six State capital cities. 1966-67 = 100.0. (c) Base: 1979-80 = 100.0. (d) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction.

## FINANCE

Month	Housing finance for owner occupation												Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m
	Savings banks—depositors' balances (a) \$m		Major trading banks (b)				Finance companies balances outstanding (c) \$m		Value of loans approved (d)			Commonwealth bond yield short dated (f) per cent	Listed companies new money raised \$m
	Original	Seas. adj.	Deposits \$m	Advances \$m	Original	Seas. adj.	Banks \$m	Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (e) \$m	108	13.70	4,271	
1982-83— June	30,006	29,939	31,560	32,006	23,916	24,034	28,075	434	196	108	13.70	4,271	
1983-84— July	30,352	30,470	31,432	32,189	24,010	23,878	28,253	395	182	98	13.45	3,354	
August	31,034	31,098	31,373	31,890	23,980	24,001	28,246	488	217	110	13.55	483.9	4,091
September	31,528	31,661	31,629	31,902	24,256	24,215	28,294	448	211	118	12.60	2,952	
October	31,822	31,934	31,923	31,847	24,928	24,603	28,218	474	236	117	12.00	3,399	
November	32,091	32,189	32,234	31,906	25,231	25,135	28,321	570	314	142	11.00	446.0	4,182
December	33,181	33,009	32,952	32,499	25,642	25,555	28,500	467	303	131	11.60	3,626	
January	33,861	33,480	32,554	32,429	25,351	25,557	28,245	483	274	122	12.05	4,420	
February	34,308	33,778	32,999	32,728	25,280	25,779	28,239	627	340	145	12.35	155.6	4,230
March	33,899	33,804	33,414	33,025	25,836	26,207	28,379	600	368	155	12.70	4,381	
April	33,255	33,671	33,764	33,462	26,596	26,416	28,388	516	324	133	12.35	6,488	
May	33,745	34,084	33,707	33,663	26,569	26,232	28,835	635	374	152	12.70	746.6	6,114
June	34,328	34,257	33,749	34,303	26,444	26,577	29,328	567	300	578	12.25	5,052	
1984-85— July	34,070	34,196	34,459	35,149	26,921	26,772	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	12.25	n.y.a.	
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	35,105	35,637	26,927	26,950	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	

(a) Excludes external territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Amounts shown relate to all types of finance agreements and provide a broad overall measure of finance company activity. For further details see the monthly publication 5614.0. (d) Includes loans for alterations and additions. (e) Includes building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (f) This series is based on non-rebate bonds. (g) Break in series due to a change in accounting procedures.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS (Bm)

Quarter	Final consumption expenditure												Gross fixed capital expenditure			
	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Private		Government		Private		Public			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES																
1982-83— March June	38,742 40,495	41,262 41,535	1,112 712	1,427 1,395	37,630 39,783	39,835 40,140	24,822 25,830	25,943 26,121	7,087 7,825	7,626 7,483	5,159 6,063	5,730 5,746	2,889 4,012	3,322 3,430		
1983-84— September December March June	42,947 50,412 45,147 46,951	43,946 45,328 47,162 49,033	1,443 2,350 2,154 1,065	2,350 2,254 2,261 2,338	41,504 45,955 42,993 45,886	41,596 43,074 44,901 46,695	27,006 29,579 27,471 28,613	27,090 27,992 28,497 28,926	7,435 8,085 7,713 8,472	7,585 7,720 8,325 8,472	5,436 6,223 5,128 6,664	5,509 5,904 5,655 6,399	3,469 3,661 3,507 4,151	3,780 3,500 3,988 3,506		
AT AVERAGE 1979-80 PRICES																
1982-83— March June	28,385 28,987	30,392 30,008	1,166 829	1,493 1,476	27,219 28,158	28,899 28,532	18,403 18,781	19,257 18,965	5,089 5,520	5,418 5,275	3,799 4,333	4,221 4,104	2,004 2,752	2,304 2,352		
1983-84— September December March June	30,568 35,741 30,839 31,373	31,405 31,765 32,300 33,035	1,486 3,907 1,926 1,086	2,171 2,082 2,050 2,143	29,082 31,834 28,913 30,287	29,234 29,683 30,250 30,892	19,252 20,696 18,882 19,462	19,341 19,558 19,612 19,652	5,261 5,438 5,250 5,773	5,340 5,438 5,602 5,518	3,827 4,394 3,631 4,619	3,941 4,171 4,006 4,433	2,365 2,429 2,309 2,669	2,577 2,321 2,626 2,253		
AT CURRENT PRICES—continued																
Quarter	Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises												Income of farm unincorporated enterprises	Other household income	Less direct taxes, etc.	Household disposable income (a)
	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Companies		Other		Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm unincorporated enterprises					
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
1982-83— March June	6,557 6,852	6,586 6,913	5,923 6,200	6,044 6,132	3,772 4,586	4,389 4,842	7,540 7,002	8,325 8,235	22,006 22,984	23,204 22,760	132 -253	11,295 14,056	6,480 9,026	26,953 27,761		
1983-84— September December March June	7,395 7,153 7,634 8,120	7,232 7,203 7,696 8,199	6,513 6,912 6,999 7,411	6,563 6,188 7,050 5,887	5,215 5,226 5,461 6,201	5,197 5,226 6,226 8,383	9,370 13,020 9,621 10,394	9,920 9,931 10,283 10,394	22,900 25,330 23,810 25,880	23,030 24,328 24,485 25,913	458 3,223 1,045 -21	12,695 15,227 12,913 15,643	5,204 5,610 7,062 10,847	30,849 38,170 30,707 30,655		

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

Month	CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) ('000)						UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (b) ('000)						JOB VACANCIES ('000)	
	Males		Females		Persons		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work		Total			Survey estimates
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons	
1982-83— June	4,349.0	4,379.7	2,610.7	2,625.6	6,959.7	7,005.3	407.9	205.8	79.4	424.5	268.7	693.2		
1983-84— July	4,362.1	4,378.2	2,620.1	2,632.1	6,982.2	7,010.3	407.0	192.3	87.9	429.0	258.2	687.2		
August	4,333.3	4,369.6	2,594.6	2,621.2	6,927.9	6,990.8	409.5	197.9	79.5	429.7	257.1	686.8	(c) 16.7	
September	4,406.7	4,388.4	2,672.4	2,650.4	7,079.1	7,038.8	410.3	208.8	101.9	435.0	285.9	720.9		
October	4,359.3	4,379.8	2,630.0	2,634.6	6,989.3	7,014.4	384.5	183.0	85.6	400.8	252.3	653.1		
November	4,352.6	4,388.7	2,649.7	2,647.9	7,002.3	7,036.6	365.5	176.7	82.6	385.9	238.9	624.7	(c) 19.1	
December	4,448.0	4,399.3	2,698.4	2,655.3	7,146.4	7,054.6	391.3	210.1	88.6	419.8	270.2	690.0		
January	4,402.1	4,386.9	2,569.9	2,656.5	6,972.0	7,043.4	424.0	212.9	82.5	452.5	266.9	719.4		
February	4,436.2	4,401.4	2,668.0	2,657.1	7,104.2	7,058.5	413.2	228.6	96.4	435.8	302.3	738.2	(d) 44.3	
March	4,457.1	4,431.0	2,748.2	2,697.9	7,205.9	7,128.9	380.0	212.1	108.9	404.7	296.3	701.0		
April	4,422.2	4,433.3	2,733.5	2,727.5	7,155.8	7,160.9	364.3	207.7	104.8	385.6	291.2	676.7		
May	4,421.5	4,426.8	2,706.1	2,699.3	7,127.5	7,126.1	356.5	192.7	87.8	382.2	254.8	637.0	(d) 34.8	
June	4,417.2	4,448.2	2,715.7	2,731.0	7,132.8	7,179.2	349.7	189.5	94.9	375.0	259.1	634.1		
1984-85— July	4,422.3	4,435.6	2,699.5	2,709.6	7,121.8	7,145.2	339.9	175.3	80.4	357.8	237.8	595.7		
August	4,393.7	4,430.4	2,672.9	2,697.3	7,066.6	7,127.8	359.0	165.2	80.5	381.5	223.1	604.7		

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed. (b) Labour force survey estimates. (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further notes relating to these estimates see the November 1983 issue of 6221.0. (d) New series. Result of sample from ABS register. For further details see Job Vacancies, Australia, February 1984 (6231.0) and New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime (6256.0).

### EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, STATES AND TERRITORIES (a)

#### PERSONS ('000)

Month	Australia												Total	
	Government						Commonwealth							
Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Private	State(b)	Local	Total	Total	
1983— July r	1,768.9	1,375.6	736.0	429.1	449.1	136.6	42.6	100.5	3,405.7	408.0	1,081.9	142.6	1,632.5	5,038.4
August r	1,778.3	1,384.3	740.3	430.7	452.5	137.7	43.1	101.3	3,430.5	410.0	1,084.8	143.0	1,637.8	5,068.3
September r	1,777.8	1,386.2	743.3	432.1	449.8	137.4	43.1	101.2	3,431.0	410.5	1,086.0	143.5	1,640.0	5,071.0
October	1,793.2	1,368.4	747.5	439.3	449.7	137.4	45.9	102.8	3,439.7	412.6	1,087.9	144.0	1,644.5	5,084.2
November	1,807.6	1,378.1	747.1	442.6	451.4	138.8	45.7	104.7	3,468.7	415.9	1,086.6	144.8	1,647.3	5,116.0
December	1,803.1	1,379.3	739.3	445.5	454.4	139.9	44.8	105.6	3,481.0	418.0	1,067.6	145.3	1,630.8	5,111.8

(a) New Series. Results of sample survey of approximately 20,000 private employers selected from the ABS register of business. Data from all Government Employers is collected. For further details see Employed Wage and Salary Earners Australia (6248.0) and Information Paper: New Statistical Series: Employment, Average Weekly Earnings, Job Vacancies and Overtime (6256.0). Excludes wage and salary earners in the private sector employed in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, hunting, private households and members of the permanent defence forces. (b) Includes the Northern Territory Government.

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